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SUBJECT: PROPOSED VISIT OF DR. LEON SULLIVAN

1. DR. LEON SULLIVAN, FOUNDER AND CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD OF OPPORTUNITIES INDUSTRIALIZATION CENTERS (OIC), INCORPORATED, IS PLANNING A TRIP TO SAUDI ARABIA, EGYPT AND THE UAE IN LATE MARCH. THE PURPOSE OF THE TRIP WOULD BE TO EXPLORE THE POSSIBILITY OF PROVIDING OIC ASSISTANCE TO HOST GOVERNMENTS IN THE AREA OF PRE-VOCATIONAL ATTITUDINAL TRAINING AND OTHER VOCATIONAL TRAINING.

2. OIC IS PRIVATE NON-PROFIT ORGANIZATION WHICH OPERATES A SERIES OF VOCATIONAL TRAINING CENTERS THROUGHOUT THE UNITED STATES AND HAS PROVIDED ASSISTANCE (PRIMARILY UNDER CONTRACT TO AID) TO A NUMBER OF AFRICAN COUNTRIES. ASIDE FROM HIS AFFILIATION WITH OIC, DR. SULLIVAN IS ALSO A
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MEMBER OF THE NATIONAL MANPOWER ADVISORY COUNCIL AND IS ON

THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF GENERAL MOTORS.

3. PRIOR TO HIS TRIP DR. SULLIVAN PLANS TO MEET WITH SECRETARY SIMON AND SENIOR TREASURY AND LABOR OFFICIALS AND MAJOR U.S. CORPORATIONS WITH OPERATIONS IN THE THREE COUNTRIES. DURING HIS VISIT HE WOULD BE PREPARED TO DISCUSS THE OIC CONCEPT WITH HOST COUNTRY GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS AND U.S. BANKING AND INDUSTRY REPRESENTATIVES

FOR THE PURPOSE OF EITHER WORKING THROUGH AMERICAN BASED COMPANIES IN EACH COUNTRY OR WORKING DIRECTLY FOR COUNTRY'S MINISTRIES. OIC WOULD PLAN TO TIE INDUSTRIAL AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT TO TRAINING PROGRAMS AND WOULD USE RESOURCES OF MAJOR U.S. INDUSTRIES TO DO THIS.

4. DR. SULLIVAN IS TENTATIVELY PLANNING TO BRING WITH HIM A PARTY OF THREE. HE PLANS TO BE IN CAIRO ON MARCH 24 AND 25, RIYADH ON MARCH 27, 28 AND POSSIBLY HALF DAY ON 29, AND ABU DHABI ON MARCH 30 AND POSSIBLY HALF DAY ON 31ST. EMBASSIES ARE REQUESTED TO ARRANGE THE APPROPRIATE MINISTERIAL LEVEL APPOINTMENTS (PARTICULARLY IN THE AREAS OF MANPOWER DEVELOPMENT AND VOCATIONAL TRAINING).

5. WOULD APPRECIATE EMBASSY RESPONSE ASAP. KISSINGER

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